



Legacy of Leadership

Thirty-Four Fulbright Program Alumni Awarded The Nobel Prize

"If it were not for the Fulbright Fellowship, I would certainly not have had the good fortune of obtaining a Nobel prize. I think Fulbright is one of the world's greatest educational and cultural programs." **Alan G. MacDiarmid – New Zealand**, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 2000

"The Fulbright Program played a pivotal role in my professional development, both by providing me with an opportunity to broaden my intellectual horizons, studying with some of the world's leading economists at Cambridge University, and enabling me to see the world through quite different perspectives. Some of the research collaborations I began during that year have lasted over the following three decades. The international perspectives served me well, especially when I became Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of the World Bank." **Joseph Stiglitz - USA**, Nobel Laureate in Economics 2001

Alumni of the Fulbright Educational Exchange Program increase international understanding and engagement, pursue collaborative projects of importance to the general welfare of the world, and enrich our lives and culture. The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State recognizes 34 alumni of the Fulbright Program from eight countries (Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, United States) who have been awarded 35 Nobel Prizes for their contributions to humanity.

Aaron Ciechanover - Israel, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 2004
Fulbright Scholar at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1982-84

Riccardo Giacconi – Italy, Nobel Laureate in Physics 2002
Fulbright Student at Indiana University, 1956-58

Masatoshi Koshiba - Japan, Nobel Laureate in Physics 2002
Fulbright Student at University of Rochester, 1953-55

George A. Akerlof – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 2001
Fulbright Scholar in India, 1967-68

Joseph Stiglitz – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 2001
Fulbright Student in the United Kingdom, 1969-70

Alan G. MacDiarmid – New Zealand, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 2000
Fulbright Student at University of Wisconsin, 1950

Douglass C. North – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1993
Fulbright Scholar in Uruguay, 1990

Erwin Neher – Germany, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1991
Fulbright Student at University of Wisconsin, 1966

Trygve Haavelmo – Norway, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1989
Fulbright Scholar at University of Chicago, 1957-58

Susumu Tonegawa – Japan, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1987
Fulbright Student at University of California, San Diego, 1963

Franco Modigliani – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1985
Fulbright Scholar in Italy, 1961-62

THIRTY-FOUR FULBRIGHT PROGRAM ALUMNI AWARDED THE NOBEL PRIZE



President George W. Bush during a ceremony honoring the U. S. Nobel Laureates in the East Room of the White House, Nov. 27, 2001. Fulbright Program alumni George Akerlof and Joseph Stiglitz are first and sixth from the left, respectively. White House photo by Tina Hager

James M. Buchanan – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1986
Fulbright Scholar in Italy, 1955-56; in the United Kingdom, 1961-62

Carlo Rubbia – Italy, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1984
Fulbright Student at Columbia University, 1958-59

William Alfred Fowler – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1983
Fulbright Student in the United Kingdom, 1954-55

Bengt Samuelsson – Sweden, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1982
Fulbright Scholar at Harvard University, 1961

Philip W. Anderson – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1977
Fulbright Scholar in Japan, 1953-54

Rosalyn S. Yalow – USA, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1977
Fulbright Scholar in Portugal

Milton Friedman – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1976
Fulbright Scholar in the United Kingdom, 1953-54

Henry Kissinger – USA, Recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize 1973
Fulbright Specialist in India, 1962-63

Wassily Leontief – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1973
Fulbright Scholar in France, 1961-62



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Kenneth Arrow – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1972
Fulbright Scholar in Italy, 1995

Paul Samuelson – USA, Nobel Laureate in Economics 1970
Fulbright Scholar in Asia, 1972

Hannes Alfven – Sweden, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1970
Fulbright Scholar at the University of Maryland, 1954-55

Lars Onsager – USA, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 1968
Fulbright Scholar in the United Kingdom, 1951-52

Hans Bethe – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1967
Fulbright Scholar in the United Kingdom, 1955

Robert Sanderson Mulliken – USA, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 1966
Fulbright Scholar in the United Kingdom, 1952-54

Charles Hard Townes – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1964
Fulbright Scholar in France and Japan, 1955-56; Europe, 1972

Linus Pauling – USA, Recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize 1962
Fulbright Scholar in Yugoslavia, 1988

John Steinbeck – USA, Nobel Laureate in Literature, 1962
Fulbright Specialist in Europe, 1963

James D. Watson – USA, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1962
Fulbright Scholar in Argentina, 1986

Emilio Segre – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1959
Fulbright Scholar in Italy, 1950

Joshua Lederberg – USA, Nobel Laureate in Medicine 1958
Fulbright Scholar in Australia, 1957

Chen Ning Yang – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1957
Fulbright Scholar in Brazil, Venezuela, Poland, Egypt and Malaysia, 1974

Linus Pauling – USA, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry 1954
Fulbright Scholar in Yugoslavia, 1988

Felix Bloch – USA, Nobel Laureate in Physics 1952
Fulbright Scholar in Israel, 1959

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